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SUBJECT: IRAQI UN MISSION ACQUISITION OF FIREARMS

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1. ANTONIO POLYTRIDES, DEFENDENT IN A CASE INVOLVING THE DELIVERY OF 100 FIREARMS TO THE IRAQI UN MISSION IN NEW YORK, WAS DECLARED GUILTY BY A JURY IN BALTIMORE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1977. POLYTRIDES WAS CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTING TO VIOLATE INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING IN ARMS REGULATIONS AND VIOLATING THE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. PENDING SENTENCING, THE JUDGE HAS ORDERED A SUBSTANTIAL BAIL OF DOLS 250 THOUSAND. WE NOW UNDERSTAND THAT THE GREEK GOVERNMENT HAS BEGUN EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS TO TRY POLYTRIDES FOR AGGRAVATED FRAUD.

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2. WHILE THE TRIAL MADE THE DETAILS OF THE CASE CLEAR, THE PRESSURE OF OTHER NEWS EVENTS HAS KEPT THE TRIAL OUT OF THE NEWS MEDIA SO FAR.
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